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For: MECHANISM FOR IMPLEMENTING A SPARSE FILE SYSTEM FOR AN
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Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450DISCLOSURE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.56
OF RELATED APPLICATION(S)

Sir:

Applicant(s) would like to bring to the Examiner's attention that the following
applications,

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10/833,474	4/27/2004	15437-0582
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10/767,003	1/28/2004	15437-0593
10/762,067	1/20/2004	15437-0597
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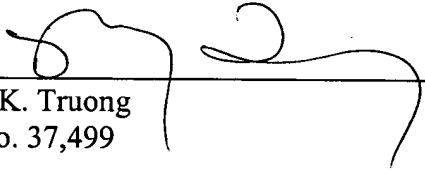
Referred to as the "related applications", contain subject matter that is related to the subject matter of the present application. The related applications may contain one or more claims that are substantially similar to one or more claims in the present application, and those claims may have been rejected in the related applications. Therefore, the Examiner is encouraged to review the file histories of the related applications as some of the information contained therein may be material to the examination of the present application.

Throughout the pendency of this application, please charge any additional fees, including any required extension of time fees, and credit all overpayments to deposit account 50-1302. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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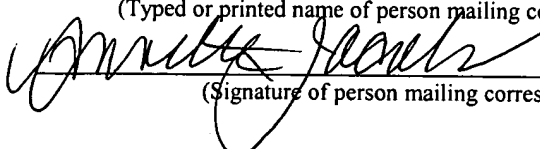

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